

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 181

By Yokley

A RESOLUTION to congratulate the Eta Nu Chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega (ATO) Fraternity upon winning the President's Challenge Cup.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the State of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to the members of those exemplary organizations who have given unselfishly of themselves, their time, and their talents to perpetuate the public good; and

WHEREAS, the Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) Eta Nu Chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity is one such exemplary organization that was recently awarded the President's Challenge Cup at the annual Greek Awards Ceremony at MTSU; and

WHEREAS, the President's Challenge Cup is the highest and most coveted award in the Fraternity and Sorority Community at MTSU; this is Eta Nu's second consecutive year to win the award, which is an unprecedented achievement; and

WHEREAS, this award is given to the fraternity or sorority that ranks highest on the Gold Standard Assessment; the Assessment contains the four pillars of the Greek community at MTSU: Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Friendship; and

WHEREAS, the Gold Standard Assessment is only in its second year, but ATO has been successful in remaining atop the fraternity system at MTSU; this year, the fraternity raised its score by nearly ten points; and

WHEREAS, among the many other important accolades and activities of the Eta Nu Chapter of ATO this year are the Greek Man of the Year, the Most Outstanding Scholarship Program, the Highest Active GPA Among Fraternities for Fall 2006, the Most Outstanding Greek Freshman, the Most Outstanding Greek Junior, and the participation of three brothers in LeaderShape Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a highlight of the fraternity's year was the Alpha Jam, an annual philanthropic event which is a three-on-three charity basketball game in which all proceeds go to Challenged Athletes Playing Equally, a local sporting league for community children and adults with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the estimable members of the Eta Nu Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega this year are: Elrod Altizer, Bobby Barry, Hal Bouldin, Casey Bowman, Jimmy Crytzer, Jake Danels, Tyler Easterly, Tim Eubanks, Daniel Henderson, Garrick Hock, Gregg Hutchins, Edgard Izaguirre, Steve Jackson, Jonathan Kerstetter, Quinton Ladd, Sky Nicholson, Josh Rogers, Brad Smith, Chris Smith, Chad Soeder, Andrew Steckel, Cody Thomas, Garrett Wootten, Tyler Yokley, and Rob Zunt; and

WHEREAS, these outstanding fraternity brothers work together to epitomize the ultimate goal of Alpha Tau Omega, "to bind men together in a brotherhood based upon eternal and immutable principles, with a bond as strong as right itself and as lasting as humanity"; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend the Eta Nu Chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity for their many accomplishments and congratulate them upon winning the President's Challenge Cup.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.